

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): ESCH *et al.*

Appln. No.: 08

870,591

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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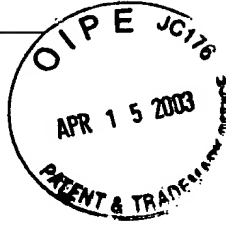
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Appln. Title: PRECIPITATED SILICA



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**REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

Date: April 15, 2003

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

**FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

## 1. Small Entity claim

- A. ☒ NOT made  
B. ☐ Withdrawn  
C. ☐ made herewith  
D. ☐ made previously

For B & C  
See **Required**  
**Separate Paper**  
(Pat-256)

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	3	**minus 20	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	1	***minus 3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) .....	add			+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: March 16, 2003	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached	(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =		+ \$110		115/215
	(2 mos)	\$410/\$205 =				116/216
	(3 mos)	\$930/\$465 =				117/217
	(4 mos)	\$1,450/\$725 =				118/218
	(5 mos)	\$1,970/\$985 =				128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract	- \$0					
8.	Extension Fee				+ \$110	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee .....	+ \$110/\$55				+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), .....	+ \$180				+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request .....	+ \$180					126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) .....	+ \$750/370				+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) .....	x \$750/375 ea				+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....	+ \$750/375				+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for .....					+ \$0	
15.	TOTAL FEE =				\$110	

16. \*If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".

17. \*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

18. \*\*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

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Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975)

(Our Order No. 021123 0238397

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**CHARGE STATEMENT:** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any missing or insufficient fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (missing or insufficiencies only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting Official Document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Accounting/Order Nos. shown above, for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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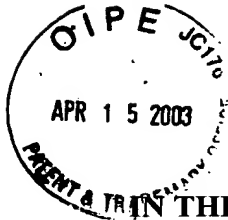
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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Box RCE  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the official action dated September 16, 2002, wherein the pending claims were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§102, and 103. The applicants respectfully traverse in view of the following remarks.

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